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(distributed 7/11/72)National Security Council Intelligence Committee
WORKING GROUPMinutes of the Fifth Meeting
1430 Hours, 6 July 1972
DCI Conference Room, CIA Headquarters

Mr. Bronson Tweedy, D/DCI/IC, Chairman presiding. Members present were: Mr. Andrew Marshall, NSC Staff; Dr. Ray Cline and Mr. Seymour Weiss, Department of State; Dr. Albert Hall, Lt. Gen. Donald Bennett, and Brig. Gen. Richard Breznahan (representing Lt. Gen. Seith), Department of Defense; Mr. Bernard Wells (representing Mr. Maroney), Department of Justice; Mr. Paul Walsh (representing Dr. Proctor), and [redacted] (representing Mr. Huizenga), CIA. Others present: [redacted] Executive Secretary; Capt. George Pickett, NSC; Mr. Richard Curl and Mr. Curtis Jones, State Department.

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STATAgenda Item 1: Minutes of the 13 June Meeting

The minutes distributed on 19 June were approved without change.

Agenda Item 2: India-Pakistan Crisis Study

Contents of the study were discussed at length, with attention primarily focusing on consideration of the difficulties involved in handling the matter of "intentions", whether or not there should be further coordination within the intelligence community on materials going to the WSAG, how to avoid the clogging of communications channels to policy makers and still provide a full background, and, in particular, how better to highlight information which should be of special interest to top level officials of the government.

The Working Group decided that the proposed draft memorandum to the Chairman, NSCIC, should be revised to further highlight the issues brought out in the study rather than wait to see whether these same issues also appeared in other studies. Mr. Marshall is to prepare the revision.

Several members of the Working Group also expressed an interest in having the study briefed orally to members of the NSCIC.

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Agenda Item 3: Follow-On Crisis Studies

The Working Group agreed to sponsor studies of the Arab-Israeli ceasefire (August 1970) and the Jordan/Fedayeen civil war (September 1970) as proposed by Mr. Marshall, who will be responsible for both studies. Mr. Marshall will deal directly with the production agencies to determine whether the studies can be conducted simultaneously or sequentially.

Both Dr. Hall and General Bennett expressed concern about sensitive operational aspects related to the proposed LAMSON-719 study. Mr. Marshall will develop terms of reference for such a study in consultation with CIA and DIA, prior to Working Group decision on sponsorship of this study.

Agenda Item 4: Other Production Studies

Dr. Hall proposed a study of the "cruise missile" problem be made either under Working Group sponsorship or under auspices of his own office. The study would be developed from the viewpoint of the intelligence consumer -- looking at what has been produced, how well these products have satisfied requirements placed on the intelligence community, what specific actions have resulted from information obtained from these products, and what results have been achieved from these actions.

The Working Group decided to sponsor this study. The study committee will be chaired by an ASD/I representative, with members from DDR&E, DIA, CIA, INR/State, and Navy.

Dr. Cline saw no need for further Working Group consideration of his proposal of 26 May for a study of Libya before and after the 1969 coup.

Agenda Item 5: Other Business

Evaluation of Intelligence Inputs to NSSM-69: The Chairman noted that written comments from INR/State, JCS/J-5, CIA, and DIA had been provided to Mr. Marshall who said that work on reexamination of the NSSM-69 study would begin 10 July.

Outline for Production Studies: The Chairman distributed an IC/PRG "Draft Study Outline for Evaluation of U.S. Intelligence Production on a Selected Problem" for consideration by the Working Group members.

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Mutual Balanced Force Reduction: General Breznahan requested the Working Group reconsider MBFR as a study topic. (Discussion of this proposal at the 13 June meeting had resulted in decision not to sponsor a MBFR study.) No formal decision was made, but reaction of most members was negative.

New Chairman, JCS, Representative: General Breznahan reported that Lt. Gen. Louis T. Seith, who has replaced Vice Admiral Weinel as J-5, Joint Staff, also will replace Admiral Weinel on the NSCIC Working Group.

The meeting adjourned at 1605 hours. The Chairman noted that the date of the next meeting probably will be dependent upon completion of the revised NSSM-69 study.

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Chairman, NSCIC Working Group

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